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- ☒ Copies of the cited references are enclosed except those entered in prior application, U.S. Application No. 09/662,473, to which priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 is claimed.
- ☐ The listed references were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.
- ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) [] under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
- ☐ the explanation provided on the attached sheet.
- ☐ the explanation provided in the Specification.
- ☐ submission of the enclosed International Search Report.
- ☐ submission of the enclosed English-language version of a foreign Search Report and/or foreign Office Action.
- ☐ the enclosed English language abstract.

☐ Applicant requests that the following non-published pending applications be considered:

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- ☐ A copy of each above-cited application, including the current claims, is enclosed.
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The Examiner is requested to return a copy of the above list of pending applications indicating which references were considered with the next office communication.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.


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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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